

ITEM: 24

SUBJECT: Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Valley Region, Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins – *Workshop to Receive Comments*

BOARD ACTION: This is an informational workshop to solicit comments for a future Board hearing.

BACKGROUND: Water Quality Control Plans (Basin Plans) are mandated by the federal Clean Water Act and the state Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (Porter-Cologne). A triennial review process is set forth in these Acts that requires the Board to conduct public hearings to help them identify and prioritize problems concerning the effectiveness of the Basin Plan. It also requires the Board to develop a work plan to investigate the water quality problems and make appropriate amendments to the Basin Plan.

ISSUES: As a starting point for public discussion, Board staff has suggested the following topics for consideration during this Triennial Review:

1. Effluent Dominated Water bodies
2. Drinking Water Policy
3. Total Maximum Daily Load Allocations (TMDLs)
4. Bacteria Objectives

Following this workshop, staff will review comments and the Board's own information to develop a work plan. Staff will also prepare responses to the comments. The triennial review process that follows this workshop is discussed in more detail in the Staff Report.

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Legal Review _____

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